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SUBJ: TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMPONENT OF WHO REGULAR BUDGETS

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1. THIS IS AN INTERIM RESPONSE TO REFTEL. HEALTH ATTACHE INFORMED BY WHO ADG FURTH THERE WILL BE NO DIFFICULTY IN PROVIDING ANNUAL PERCENTAGE GROWTH OF WHO REGULAR BUDGETS IN "REAL TERMS" AND IN NOMINAL TERMS SINCE 1965. HOWEVER, FURTH UNABLE TO PROVIDE VALID DATA ON THE ANNUAL INCREASE/DECREASE IN "TECHNICAL COOPERATION" COMPONENT OF REGULAR BUDGET GOING BACK AS FAR AS 1965 FOR THE REASON THAT PRIOR TO 1974 THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT HAVE THE "PROGRAM BUDGET" CONCEPT.

2. IT WAS ONE OF FURTH'S FIRST ACTIONS IN JOINING WHO UNDER FORMER DG CANDAU IN 1971-72 TO INITIATE A TASK FORCE STUDY OF WHO BUDGETARY PRACTICES, WHICH RESULTED IN A REVAMPING OF THE CONCEPT OF "PROGRAM AND BUDGET ESTIMATES" AND THE INTRODUCTION OF THE CURRENT "PROGRAM BUDGET" CONCEPT IN 1974.

3. FURTH MAINTAINS THAT BUDGETARY INFORMATION IN TERMS OF "THE "TECHNICAL COOPERATION" COMPONENT OF THE REGULAR BUDGET AND THE MANY HUNDREDS OF PROJECTS PRIOR TO 1974,  
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MANY OF WHICH NO LONGER EXIST, WOULD BE A) INORDINATELY DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN UNDER THE OLD BUDGET CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM, B) ARBITRARY AND INCOMPLETE AND C) BASED ON NON-EXISTING, FREQUENTLY NON-RECORDED CRITERIA.

4. WHILE AWAITING THE WHO RESPONSE TO REFTEL, MISSION CAN PROVIDE (FROM WHO DOCUMENTS) THE ESTIMATED PERCENT-

AGES OF WHO FUTURE REGULAR BUDGETS FOR TECHNICAL CO-  
OPERATION, AS FOLLOWS:

(1976) TPMEY PERCENT

(1977) 51.20 PERCENT

(1978) 55.70 PERCENT

1979 57 PERCENT

1980 58.3 PERCENT

1981 59.8 PERCENT

5. IN VIEW OF "LIVELY CONGRESSIONAL CONCERNS" (REFTEL),  
IT MAY BE USEFUL TO REMIND THE CONGRESS THAT WHO IS THE  
ONLY INDEPENDENT AGENCY IN THE UN SYSTEM WHICH HAS IN  
ITS CONSTITUTION, ADOPTED IN JULY 1946, THE BASIC  
FUNCTIONS 1) "TO ASSIST GOVERNMENTS, UPON REQUEST, IN  
STRENGTHENING HEALTH SERVICES" AND 2) "TO FURNISH APPRO-  
PRIATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND, IN EMERGENCIES, NECESSARY  
AID UPON THE REQUEST OR ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNMENTS"  
(WHO CONSTITUTION, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 2, SUB-SECTIONS  
(C) AND (D)).

6. SEPTTEL TO FOLLOW. SORENSON

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